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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Briefing of Senate Preparedness  
Investigating Subcommittee

1. This memorandum contains a recommendation in paragraph 6 for approval of the Director of Central Intelligence.

2. The Preparedness Investigating Subcommittee of the Senate Armed Services Committee is scheduling hearings beginning on 19 July 1961 on U.S. missile programs and prospects for survival. In order that the Subcommittee may have some background information on comparable Soviet programs, they have requested that the Agency, Air Force Intelligence and Naval Intelligence provide the Subcommittee with a pre-hearing briefing. They have requested that this briefing begin at 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, 18 July.

3. Mr. James Kendall, Chief Counsel, has suggested that this be a limited briefing covering the following points: (a) Soviet military and industrial targets in the U.S., (b) Soviet missile capabilities, (c) long-range bomber and submarine programs and, (d) anti-submarine detection systems. The Subcommittee has asked Air Force Intelligence and ONI to appear on the same date.

4. Mr. George Fiske, in Air Force Intelligence, has contacted us concerning these hearings and has suggested that if we concur the Agency carry the thrust of the intelligence briefing with

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Air Force and Naval representatives present to answer specific questions which Subcommittee members may wish to direct to them. He also suggested that the Air Force, Navy and Agency representatives get together in the planning of this briefing.

5. I have alerted Mr. Amory, Dr. Scoville and Mr. Stoertz of the Subcommittee's request. Members of the Subcommittee are:

John Stennis (D., Miss.)  
Chairman

Stuart Symington (D., Mo.)

Styles Bridges (R., N.H.)

E.L. Bartlett (D., Alaska)

Leverett Saltonstall (R., Mass.)

Henry M. Jackson (D., Wash.)

Margaret Chase Smith (R., Maine.)

6. It is recommended that we advise Mr. Kendall that we will brief the Subcommittee on 18 July 1961.



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The recommendation in paragraph 6 is approved.

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